



# Construction Update – July 8, 2021

<b>Highway and project ID</b>	WIS 78 Reconstruction Project (ID 5630-06-72)
<b>Project limits, location</b>	Eagle View Court to Weynand Road Prairie du Sac to Merrimac Sauk County
<b>Project length</b>	8.54 miles
<b>Overall schedule</b>	April 22, 2021 – Late September 2021
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**Note:** Updates are shown in red below.

## **Project Description:**

Reconstruction along 8.54 miles of WIS 78 between Prairie du Sac and Merrimac. Construction operations consist of asphalt pavement, common excavation, base aggregate, select crushed material, concrete curb and gutter replacement, beam guard replacement, rumble strips, signing and pavement marking.

## **Overall traffic impacts:**

WIS 78 is closed to through traffic with local traffic access maintained. The highway closure begins at Eagle View Court and ends at Weynand Road. WIS 78 through traffic is detoured via US 12, WIS 33 and I-90/94. WIS 113 through traffic is detoured via WIS 78, County DL and WIS 113.

The grading and select crushed material/base aggregate placement operations will result in local traffic having non-continuous flow through the work zone in the vicinity where the heavy construction is occurring. This means access to your destination will remain open; however, you will need to modify your approach using other routes since sideroads and driveways may only have ingress and egress from a single direction. Please plan ahead and allow extra time to reach your destination.

## **Work completed since last update (by roadway segment):**

WIS 113 to WEYNAND ROAD-

- Open to unrestricted public travel.

### **EAGLE VIEW COURT to KELLER ROAD (N)-**

- Continued watering of base aggregate for dust control.
- Continued base aggregate placing, shaping and compaction.
- Installed the new concrete curb & gutter sections.

### **KELLER ROAD (N) to KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE-**

- Continued heavy construction operations.
- Completed removal of the old asphalt pavement.

**Anticipated work schedule until next update (by roadway segments):**

**WIS 113 to WEYNAND ROAD-**

- No work, highway remains open to unrestricted public travel.

**KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE to WIS 113-**

- Minor operations consisting of traffic control maintenance.

**KELLER ROAD (N) to KILPATRICK POINT DRIVE-**

- The heavy construction operations consisting of grading, select crushed material and initial base aggregate placement operations will continue working their way south along WIS 78 towards the Keller Road (N) intersection.

**\*\*Local traffic will not be able to pass through the active construction area during contractor work hours due to the heavy construction operations.\*\***

- Presently the heavy construction operations are located approximately ½ mile south of Inspiration Drive intersection, which leaves around 1½ miles to grade and gravel to get to the Keller Road (N) intersection.

**EAGLE VIEW COURT to KELLER ROAD (N)-**

- Watering the base aggregate for dust control.
- Additional base aggregate placing, shaping and compaction.

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**IMPORTANT LOCAL ACCESS INFORMATION:**

**COUNTY Z to GOETTE ROAD-**

- The heavy construction work consisting of grading, select crushed material and initial base aggregate placement operations are north of the County Z intersection area so the travel routes for local traffic / area residents have been impacted as there are no local, county or state roads to get around the heavy construction work zone. The heavy construction work group moves at a pace of approximately 100 feet per hour or 1,000 feet per day. Within this segment any place north of the active heavy construction work zone will only have access to / from the north, and any place laying south of the active heavy construction work zone will only have access to / from the south during active contractor work hours.
- Electronic message boards will be posted by WIS 113 and County Z intersections informing the public of the furthest sideroad which can be accessed from that direction.



Asphalt millings stockpile by the County Z / WIS 78 intersection area, (7/06/21)



Heavy construction operations working south of Inspiration Drive, (7/08/21)





Placing select crushed material on the geogrid south of Inspiration Drive, (7/08/21)



Shaping east slope in the large fill section just north of Keller Road [N], (7/08/21)